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To: County Superintendents of Schools, County Auditors, and
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From: Janet Sterling, Director
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Subject: Notice of the Final Apportionment for the Miller-Unruh Basic Reading
Program, Fiscal Year 1999-00

This apportionment, in the amount of \$1,617,801, has been made from funds provided by Item 6110-126-0001 of the 1999 Budget Act (Chapter 50, Statutes of 1999). This apportionment provides funding to each eligible local educational agency (LEA) to employ reading specialists for the purpose of preventing and correcting reading difficulties at the earliest possible time in the educational career of the student pursuant to Article 1 of Chapter 2 (commencing with Section 54100) of Part 29 of the *Education Code*.

This apportionment reflects the final entitlement per teaching position for fiscal year 1999-00. The original 1999-00 estimated rate per teaching position was \$24,491, however, this amount was increased to \$25,981.63 or a lesser amount if the teacher's actual salary was lower than \$25,981.63. The final balance due to each participating LEA is calculated by multiplying the total number of eligible reading specialist positions by \$25,981.63. From this total, the amounts paid in prior apportionments were deducted. Deductions were also made for any vacancies, less-than-full-year service, denied waivers, salaries less than the final entitlement per teaching position, and other corrective adjustments.

The Miller-Unruh Basic Reading program is included in the charter school block grant funding model pursuant to Chapter 6 (commencing with Section 47630) of Part 26.8 of the *Education Code*. Therefore, charter schools that are participating in the model have received their funding for this program as part of the categorical component of the charter school block grant, which was allocated as part of the principal apportionment. Charter schools that are not participating in the charter school block grant funding model have received their funding for this program through their chartering agency.

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Warrants will be mailed to each county treasurer approximately four weeks from the date of this Notice. For standardized account code structure (SACS) coding, use Resource Code 7200, Miller-Unruh Reading Program, and Revenue Object Code 8590, All Other State Revenue. For non-SACS coding, use Income Account Code 8411, Basic Reading Act. County superintendents of schools are requested to inform each LEA immediately regarding this apportionment.

If you have any questions regarding this apportionment, please contact Nancy Cook at (916) 324-4549 or by e-mail (ncook@cde.ca.gov), or Ging Tucker at (916) 324-4536 or by e-mail (gtucker@cde.ca.gov). For program issues, please contact Pamela Routhier at (916) 327-4408 or by e-mail (prouthie@cde.ca.gov).

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